

# The Bel Aire Breeze

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Photos by **Matt Heilman**

About eight months after their Bel Aire home was destroyed in a fire, Dennis and Cheryl McCallum are building a new house on the same property in the 4600 block of North Hillcrest.

## Home sweet home

Couple overcomes tragedy to rebuild house in Bel Aire

By **Matt Heilman**

Dennis and Cheryl McCallum are having a new home built in Bel Aire. When they move into the house on a two-acre lot in the 4600 block of North Hillcrest in two or three months, they don't plan to move again.

With the move, the retired couple will return to familiarity. The McCallums owned another home on the Hillcrest site where they lived for 12 years before their lives were disrupted by a disaster.

The McCallums had lived in Bel Aire since 1972. On July 1, the couple's Hillcrest home was destroyed in a fire.

An investigation concluded that the cause of the blaze was a firework that had landed under the home's porch.

The fire spread rapidly to the rest of the house. Fire crews arrived at the scene seven minutes

after Cheryl made a call to 911 when Dennis noticed the porch was on fire.

Despite the fast response, fire crews had to fight the blaze defensively. The source of the firework was never identified and probably never will be, Dennis said.

After the fire, Dennis and Cheryl didn't know where to turn.

"At that point, we didn't have any idea what we were gonna do," Dennis said.

The damage estimate from the fire came to about \$250,000 — \$170,000 to the structure and \$80,000 in contents, some of which has since been salvaged.

When the initial shock of losing their home gradually faded, the McCallums regained their bearings and moved into a temporary furnished home at LaCrosse Apartments just outside of Bel Aire at 37th North and Woodlawn. They'll stay in the apartment until their new home is complete.

Most of what could be saved is in storage. One particular possession that was found and rescued after the fire in the McCallums'



Fire crews survey the July 1 house fire in the 4600 block of North Hillcrest. The home of Dennis and Cheryl McCallum was destroyed in the blaze that started on the front porch.

basement stays with them at their temporary home.

The McCallums received a bit of good news a couple of days after the fire that their cat, Ebony, had survived after taking refuge below the main floor of the damaged home. The cat stayed perched atop pieces of furniture

in the basement to stay above the standing water.

Although there was a lot of soot in the air, and visibility was limited, the black cat was spotted with a flashlight and returned to her owners.

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## Three seek two seats on council

Election set for April 5

By **Matt Heilman**

On April 5, Bel Aire residents will have a chance to make their voices heard in the local election for two seats on the Bel Aire City Council, as well as the mayoral position. Three candidates have filed to run for a spot on the council.

Incumbents Dave Sly and Carolyn Marlier face a challenger in former council member Moe Terrebonne. The top two vote-getters will be elected.

Sly, who is seeking his second term on the council, said he wants to complete unfinished business in Bel Aire. He wants to see city projects get finished and "positive things" come to fruition.

He also wants to be part of the group that helps the city stay on track

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## Victim identified as former officer

By **Matt Heilman**

The body of a man found buried in a shallow grave on Feb. 2 in the backyard of a southeast Wichita home is a former police officer with the Bel Aire Police Department, officials said.

Sean "Chris" Putnam, 41, served Bel Aire for five months in 2004. Records show his employment with the city began on Feb. 16, 2004, and ended on July 30, 2004.

Reports say Putnam was killed in late December and buried in the backyard of a home in the Oaklawn neighborhood near K-15 and 47th South.

Putnam worked in law enforcement in Cherokee County in southeast Kansas before working in Bel Aire. According to reports, he also worked as a sales account executive for KAKE TV from 2004 to 2006 and was a roofer when he died.

Officials said authorities are holding two people suspected of first-degree murder in Putnam's killing.

## Buzz around new schools continues

By **Matt Heilman**

The ongoing construction of two USD 259 schools in Bel Aire has city leaders encouraged for future development.

In late January, Bel Aire City Manager Ty Lasher announced that a new subdivision is planned near the future high school site at the northeast corner of 53rd North and Rock Road. The subdivision will be built on the south side of 53rd, across the street from the high school, said builder Gene

Vitarelli, owner of Cherrywood Construction Inc. in Wichita.

Vitarelli said the subdivision will take up about 65 acres and consist primarily of starter homes in the \$130,000 to \$150,000 range with some multi-family homes consisting of duplexes.

Vitarelli said late last month that he hadn't closed on a land deal yet with the City of Bel Aire, but he expects that to be done soon. Once the deal is finalized, Vitarelli said "we're just gonna go full speed ahead."

He said the new schools were the biggest draw for him wanting to build in Bel Aire. He said he's also looking to possibly develop commercial lots on Rock Road, near the future subdivision.

Bel Aire City Council member Dave Sly said the schools' attendance boundaries would likely be announced before this summer, around spring break. All five council members agreed that the boundaries for the new high school and K-8 school should include all of Bel

Aire and discussed submitting a letter to the Wichita school district to make it a formal request.

At its Feb. 15 meeting, the council approved an order of business to keep construction of the schools moving along, while the boundaries and names of the schools remain unknown.

The council unanimously approved three supplemental service agreements with Schwab Eaton P.A., the design engineer for the new schools. The approved service agreements, which amount to \$54,710,

will ultimately be paid for in special assessments, along with construction.

The service agreements include Schwab Eaton providing staking for utility lines, contract administration and inspection for a sanitary sewer extension, as well as street paving for the high school and paving improvements for the K-8 school.

Also at the Feb. 15 meeting, the council:

- Discussed possible commercial development of a town center and an identifiable downtown for Bel Aire, located just northeast of Bel Aire City

Hall along Rock Road in the Central Park addition. Council members indicated they liked the idea, but were apprehensive to move forward with the project unless a professional developer would latch onto what Bel Aire plans and handle the marketing and development of the property. The bottom line, brought up by council member Gary Bereault is that the council doesn't want to put any more of a financial burden on the city by digging a deeper hole with land debt. The idea for a downtown and town center was first reported in The News in Oct. of 2007. The council agreed to discuss the matter further at a 6:30 p.m. workshop on March 8.



# He just can't have nice things

I can't have nice things. That's all there is to it. A lot of the nice things I've owned have been broken, lost or stolen.

**Heil on life**



**By Matt Heilman**

Why? I don't know. That's just the way it is. It's not like I have a lot of money where I take for granted anything I own valued at more than \$20. It's just an unfortunate part of my life I need to change.

On the surface, the solution is simple, "Don't be careless."

The problem is, it doesn't matter how many times I tell myself to treat anything electronic or otherwise "nice" like a glass egg. Something bad is likely to happen eventually.

The trouble began when I was in sixth grade. While at a rec league basketball game, I threw my SWEET new Nike winter coat I'd received for Christmas on the stage of the Valley Center Middle School main gym and disregarded it as my team played in the school's secondary gym, or multi-purpose room.

I never saw that coat again. So, from early January until March of my sixth-grade year, I sported one of my dad's old camouflage coats that looked like a baby might have pooped on it with shades of olive green and brown.

He told me it was a "dang nice coat" and was made of Gortex, which means it would stay dry at all times. That didn't do much to make me feel better.

At track meets in seventh and eighth grades, I had two portable CD players broken, one dropped from the top of bleachers and the other stepped on.

Through high school and college, I did better, aside from the mysterious vanishing of a couple of Playstation games and an unfortunate accident that nearly ruined my laptop.

A couple of years ago, I tripped over a cord and dropped my laptop with the disc drive open. Of course, the computer landed on the CD drawer.

After getting help to take apart the laptop and remove small screws that had broken loose onto the circuit board, I forced the drawer shut. My disc drive is stuck closed, but the computer still works, even though it sometimes takes me about 10 restarts for it to unfreeze.

A lost cell phone, a stolen cell phone, a cell phone through a washing machine, a stolen GPS system and a lost camera flash later, I thought my luck was finally turning. I went a full year without any trouble.

Until last month. With heavy snowfall hitting the area, I was sent out to capture a photo of a winter scene. I had the idea to capture some students at West Elementary stepping off the bus and trudging through the snow up to the building.

I had my camera strap on my shoulder with the lens in my coat pocket as I parked in the street and started walking toward the school. Of course, the lens attachment part of the camera was unprotected as I lost my balance and dropped the camera in a snowdrift. The most delicate part of the digital camera filled with wet snow. I rushed inside the school to borrow some paper towels to wipe everything on the camera dry, but the damage was done. The gift I'd bought with my college graduation money had died. Trust me, it's not coming back to life. And yes, I called a few camera repairmen in the area to see if anything could be done inexpensively.

So, now I have a new camera on the way and a tighter grip on my budget in my latest round of rotten luck. On the bright side, I haven't wrecked the car I've driven for nearly eight years ... at least not yet.

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# Get to know your candidates for city council

It's that time again. Time for you to get involved with your community.

With the April 5 election around the corner, we encourage Bel Aire voters to take some time to get to know the candidates for city council.

Three people are vying for two at-large seats. For starters, plan to attend a candidate forum next month.

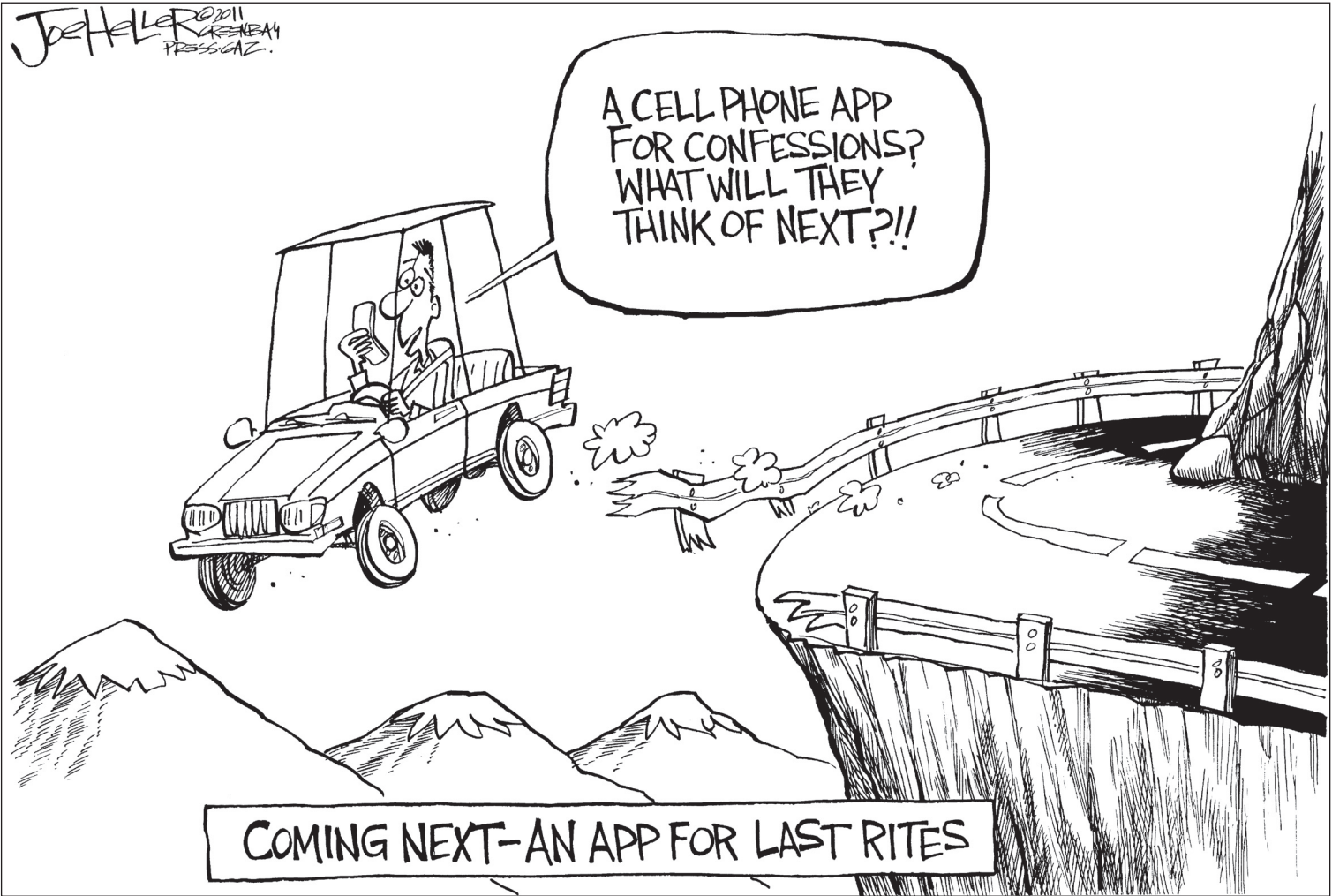
The forum will be 7 p.m. April 1 at the former Bel Aire City Hall, 4551 N. Auburn.

To further the discussion, The Breeze plans to run profiles of each candidate in next month's edition.

— The Bel Aire Breeze

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# Simien's life a model for change

His story is well-documented.

In fact, Google Wayne Simien and there are more entries about his "transformation" than his basketball career.

Simien, by many accounts, is a changed man — growing from a selfish star to a compassionate minister with the help of something more powerful than sports.

"God had a purpose and a plan, a destiny for my life," he said.

The former University of Kansas All-American and one-time NBA champion put hoops behind him nearly two years ago to start a full-time ministry, Called to Greatness, where young athletes are taught "how to live and compete for Jesus."

Simien brought his kingdom of God message to Riverlawn Christian Church on Feb. 6.

"We can't hold anything back from the Lord," he said. "He wants it all."

Simien, who grew up in Leavenworth and played at KU from 2001 through 2005, said he lived the first 20 years of his life pleasing himself.

"From the outside looking in, it looked like success," he said. "... I had an NBA contract waiting for me. I had a measure of fame, and access to all the drugs and girls and alcohol."

But it didn't make him happy. In fact, at times, Simien said, "I was literally curled up on my dorm-room bed because none of those things satisfied me."

"Here I was, the biggest guy on campus walking around afraid and insecure," he said.

Simien said faith was something that, in his mind, was reserved for holidays, and living a Christian life was something people did when they got older. He didn't think the hole he felt in his young life could be filled by a relationship with God. But he could no longer deny the emptiness.

"I cried out to God to show me something greater to live for," he said.

Simien said God answered his prayers. He met several students on campus who started

**Out of the office**

**By Chris Strunk**



praying for him. Their witness, Simien said, impacted his life. He said he couldn't believe young people, like himself, could live authentic Christian lives, "radically following Jesus."

Simien said he accepted Jesus as his savior on July 12, 2003.

"It was the greatest decision I've ever made in my life," he said.

Since then, Simien said God has been changing him. He said he has learned that God wants to be involved in everything he does, his passions, dreams and abilities.

He said Christianity isn't a fleeting lifestyle. It's real. It's who he is.

"The kingdom of God is meant to permeate every single area of our lives," Simien said. "... When that happens, it takes a mere basketball game and makes it a worship experience. It takes an ordinary class or a mundane job and can turn it into something with purpose. ... It ignites a heart of love and compassion in something that's ordinary and mundane."

At KU, Simien was the 12th leading all-time scorer. He led the Jayhawks to three Big 12 championships and two Final Four appearances in the NCAA tournament. During his senior year, KU lost to Bucknell in the first round of the tournament.

Simien's No. 23 jersey was retired during a KU game last month.

Simien was selected by the Miami Heat in the first round of the NBA draft in 2005. The Heat won the NBA championship in 2006.

Simien said he realized that success in sports was fleeting when the top question he and his teammates faced was whether they were going to repeat their



Chris Strunk

**Wayne Simien speaks at Riverlawn Christian Church Feb. 6.**

championship run.

"We won the world championship on a Tuesday, yet on a Thursday, it wasn't good enough," Simien said.

Simien played another season for the Heat before he was traded to the Minnesota Timberwolves in 2007. He was waived by Minnesota and then played from 2008 to 2009 in Spain.

He retired from basketball in 2009 and started Called to Greatness.

Now 27, Simien lives in Lawrence with his wife and three children, ages 3, 2 and 1. He speaks at churches and organizes sports camps.

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There are many head-scratchers in The Ark Valley News' weekly police blotter, entries that make you wonder what they were thinking.

Well, here's one that may not be topped for a while. It's perfect for the "stupid criminal" file.

About 1:30 a.m. on Jan. 29, a Park City police officer who

was parked near Quik Trip saw a box fall from the roof of a car and into the street as the vehicle was leaving the area. The officer picked up the box and, probably to the officer's surprise, found marijuana and drug paraphernalia inside.

That would be an odd story even if it ended right there. But it didn't.

Apparently after he noticed the box was missing, the driver returned to the scene to look for it. Guess who was waiting for him.

You're right. The driver subsequently got a ride to downtown Wichita.

I'm not making this up. We've all forgotten things on the roofs of our cars before — books, cups, stuff like that — but weed? Now that doesn't happen every day.

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# Bel Aire restaurant helps bring a 'slice of home' to American troops

**By Matt Heilman**

Eliot and Becky Green have operated Bel Aire's Bob and Luigi's restaurant at 4559 N. Woodlawn for about nine months. The couple has done well at the popular pizza place and is consistently looking for ways to reach out to their community.

From donating empty pizza boxes for an art project and contest for Sunrise Christian Academy students to hosting community meetings, the Greens want to make an impact beyond their menu.

When the Greens discovered that a Bob and Luigi's employee had a daughter who

is friends of a soldier deployed in Iraq, they decided to chip in on a large-scale project that goes well beyond the boundaries of Bel Aire.

Bob and Luigi's donates to a Chicago-based organization called "Pizzas 4 Patriots." The group, started by a former military airman, has a simple objective: "To bring a slice of home to American military troops stationed all over the world."

Eliot explained that pizza made in Chicago is cryogenically frozen to keep its freshness and is flown to troops aboard planes from the DHL shipping company.

Once the pizzas arrive

where troops are stationed, they're browned out and delivered to the soldiers, ready to eat, Eliot said.

Unfortunately, the Greens say it's not logistically possible to get a fresh pizza to troops from Bob and Luigi's unless the couple was able to make their pizza on site in Chicago where the pizzas are preserved and loaded onto the planes.

So, Eliot and Becky donate money to the effort to get one of America's great comfort foods to its troops. In addition to accepting donations for the cause, the Greens donate \$1 to "Pizza 4 Patriots" from every medium, large and extra large

pizza sold at Bob and Luigi's.

Becky said there are three main pizza shipments each year with the organization. Troops receive pizzas on Super Bowl Sunday and the Fourth of July. On Veterans Day, she said pizzas are sent to "several of the larger veterans facilities across the country."

Becky said she and Eliot are honored to be involved in the "Pizzas 4 Patriots" effort.

"It's just so cool that they're supporting the troops out there that way," she said.

For more information on "Pizzas for Patriots," visit the organization's website at www.pizzas4patriots.com or call Bob and Luigi's at 744-9510.





# City of Bel Aire



## NOTES FROM CITY HALL

### MEET YOUR CANDIDATE NIGHT

Friday, April 1st.  
7:00 p.m.  
4551 N. Auburn  
Bel Aire

Candidates running in the Bel Aire mayoral and city council races have been invited to attend. Each candidate will be given 3 minutes to state their point of view. A question-and-answer

period will follow. **THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.**

Sponsored by the Bel Aire Senior Club, Inc.

Music and Moonlight will be on June 18th. To sign up to volunteer, please come by or call City Hall.

The city-wide garage sale will be on June 9th, 10th, 11th.

Be on the lookout for new utility bills.

The Bel Aire Utility Advisory Board has an opening for a volunteer member. The Utility Board consists of five citizens who advise the Governing Body during a 4-year term on matters relating to water, sewer, storm water run-off, and sump pump discharges. The Board meets once per month, currently on

the second Tuesday, from 2:30-4:40 p.m., at City Hall. Meeting day and time can be changed for the convenience of all Board members. For more information, contact Mayor Smith at 744-2650 or a City Council member.

### Keep This Date Open!

June 18th  
7:00 to 10:00 PM  
**MUSIC AND MOONLIGHT**  
City Hall Terrace  
Music Talent Show  
(age 18 and under)

**Plus: Music under the stars**  
(bring your lawn chair)  
**No admission cost!**

## Bel Aire Recreation

5251 E. 48th North • [www.belaireks.gov](http://www.belaireks.gov) • 744-2700  
Mon., Tue., & Thur. 8-8 • Wed. & Fri. 8-7 • Sat. 9-3

### X-BOX KINECT

A new X-Box Kinect gaming system is now available for use at the Rec Center thanks to a \$500 donation from the Bel Aire Lions Club and a \$500 grant from Sam's Club. The virtual video game is available during scheduled times for members and day fee users.

### SPRING BREAK SPORTS WEEK

Ages 5-14 are invited to come and join us March 21-24. Each day will feature a sports clinic such as baseball, flag football, soccer, basketball, or volleyball. Registration deadline is March 12.

### BLASTBALL

Blastball is an introductory Coed T-Ball program for 4 year olds. Games will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning April 19. There will be one practice on the first night of the season. Registration deadline for Residents is April 1. Non-Residents may sign up on April 2 as space allows.

### SHORT SPORTS

This instructional program for 3 year olds will teach basic sports skills including throwing, catching, kicking, and batting. Age appropriate sports equipment will be utilized. We will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30-7:00 beginning April 26. Each child must have an adult partner (Parent, Grandparent, Aunt, etc). Pre-registration is required.

### RECREATIONAL SUMMER BALL LEAGUES

Teams will play up to 2 games per week on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday evenings, or Saturdays beginning May 31. Practices begin the week of May 16. Coed T-Ball will be for ages 5-6, Machine Pitch Baseball for boys ages 7-8, Machine Pitch Softball for girls ages 7-9, Youth Pitch Baseball for boys ages 9-11, and Youth Pitch Softball for girls ages 10-12. Registration deadline for Residents is April 15. Non-Residents may sign up on April 16 as space allows.

### HOLIDAY CRAFTS

Kids ages 5-10 are invited to come and join us on Saturday, February 5th from 10:00-11:00 am to spice up your Valentine's Day with some homemade holiday crafts and decorations. Kids will be given the opportunity to get their creative juices flowing and put their own special twist on a Valentine's project.

### ZUMBA

ZUMBA is at the Bel Aire Recreation Center! This is a Latin-inspired, dance-fitness class that incorporates Latin and international music and dance movements, creating a dynamic, exciting, exhilarating, and effective fitness system. A ZUMBA class known as a ZUMBA Fitness-Party combines fast and slow rhythms that tone and sculpt the body using an aerobic/fitness approach to achieve a unique blended balance of cardio and muscle-toning benefits. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 pm. You can join at any time!

### TAEKWONDO

We are accepting registrations for ages 5 & up. Classes meet on Monday & Friday from 5:00-6:00 pm or Tuesday & Thursday from 7:10-8:10 pm. These are great classes for beginners to black belts.

### YOGA

Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:10-7:10 pm. You will need to provide your own yoga mat.

### FITNESS CENTER

(ages 16 & up) – The Fitness Center consists of elliptical cross trainers, treadmills, recumbent bike, multi-station weight machine, and free-weights. There is no charge for pass holders, or it is available with the purchase of a daily pass. Rates are going up after the first of the year, so join now!

For more information on these or any Bel Aire Recreation Programs call 744-2700.

## Bel Aire Senior Club

Activities are held at 4551 N. Auburn unless otherwise noted. Those 55-plus are welcome to participate. For information on programs and services for seniors, contact Vicki Shepard, Tri-City Senior Director, at 744-1199. The club is self-governed and activities benefit all participating seniors.

- Free computer class Monday 10:00 AM Park City Senior Center
- Free Line Dance lessons Wednesday 2:30 PM Park City Senior Center
- Square Dance Lessons and Dancing 6:30 PM every Thursday (except 3rd Thursday of the month)
- Free Tax Preparation at Park City Senior Center with AARP Volunteers — Contact Vicki at 744- 1199 to make an Appointment

Tuesday, March 1, 8:30 a.m., Livingstons  
Wednesday, March 2, Wichita Garden Show Senior Day \$9.00  
Monday, March 14, 10:00 a.m., Board Meeting  
11:30 a.m., Lunch at Bob & Luigi's  
Wednesday March 16, 10:00 a.m., Men's Coffee Braums  
Wednesday March 16, 2:00 p.m., Ladies Tea/Coffee at Braums  
Monday March 28, 6:00 p.m., Covered Dish Dinner  
Program: Kansas Railroad Depots with J. Harvey Koehn  
Friday, April 1, 7:00 PM The Bel Aire Senior Club will sponsor Candidates Night Moderator for the evening will be Michael Schwanke

For information on senior activities or resources contact  
Tri-City Senior Director Vicki Shepard at 744-1199

## CITY OF BEL AIRE CONTACTS

### City Council

Mayor Harold Smith	744-2650
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Peggy O'Donnell	744-0250
Carolyn Marlier	744-2313
David Austin	744-7188
Dave Sly	204-5574

### City Hall

Ty Lasher, City Manager	744-2451, ext. 217
Recreation Department	744-2700

Central Park Pool	744-7331
Parks Department	744-8609
Police • Emergency	911
• Non-emergency	744-6000
Animal Control (Sedgwick County)	660-7070
Public Works	744-2888
Water/Sewer Emergency (after 5 p.m.)	761-6972 or 761-6973
Utility Billing	744-2451, ext. 132
Trash (Waste Connections)	838-4920
Hazardous Waste (Sedgwick County)	660-7464

## Bel Aire Senior Center

All events are held at the Bel Aire Senior Center, 7651 E. Central Park Ave., unless otherwise noted and are for ALL SENIORS living in or near Bel Aire.

The center is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and has library books to check out, places to study or do research and computers for use.

For more information about the center and its activities, contact Rick Eberhard, Senior Director, at either 744-2451, extension 121, or [reberhard@belaireks.gov](mailto:reberhard@belaireks.gov). Beginning Jan. 1, Officer hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Thursday (Excluding holidays, special events or senior-related meetings.) Any senior can belong to or attend more than one senior center/club in Sedgwick County

Sr. Breakfasts	Friday, 9 a.m. except on Breakfast & Learn Days, Braums 3641 N. Rock Rd.
Men's Fellowship Coffee	Every Monday, 10 a.m., Bel Aire Sr. Center, all men over 55 invited
Bridge	Every Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Aerobics	NEW TIME Every Wednesday, 9 a.m.
Oil Painting Classes	Every Thursday, 1-4 p.m., Cost
TOPS Club	NEW Take of Pounds Sensibly Club Every Tuesday, 10 a.m.

March 7, 6:30 p.m.	Senior Potluck Dinner and Meeting. Potluck dinner and program with Guest Speaker Special Agent Latisha R. Cleveland from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is at 7:30 PM with presentation of items seniors need be aware of. Lt. Carl Enterkin from the Bel Aire PD will be there to briefly discuss needs of the BAPD Senior Patrol.
March 9, 6:30 p.m.	Senior Center Advisory Board Meeting. Senior Center.
March 9, 10:30 a.m.	NEW Hand Crafted Jewelry Class. Come learn how to hand make earrings and necklaces. Class cost is only \$3.00 pp for supplies. Please bring your own hand towel, needle nose pliers and beads to make earrings (from broken jewelry). Breakfast & Learn Special Event. Guest Speaker is Ruse Brown, Financial Advisor for UBS Financial Services Inc. Light breakfast and complimentary drinks provided. Come listen to updates on stock market and trends for 2011.
March 11, 9 a.m.	Senior Fun Night. Bring your favorite board/card games and snacks to share. All area seniors invited.
March 11, 7 p.m.	Back to the 60's Senior Dance and Party with music, fun, trivia and games. Senior Center. Bring some finger foods or snack items to share. Come enjoy dancing to some 40's, 50's and 60's music. Complimentary cold and hot drinks will all be provided. All Area Seniors welcome – FREE.
March 18, 7 p.m.	NEW Hand Crafted Jewelry Class. Come learn how to hand make earrings and necklaces. Class cost is only \$3.00 pp for supplies. Please bring your own hand towel, needle nose pliers and beads to make earrings (from broken jewelry). Sr. Bunko Games.
March 23, 10:30 a.m.	Breakfast & Learn Special Event. Guest Speaker David Austin, Envision. Light breakfast and complimentary drinks provided.
March 23, 7 p.m.	Senior Fellowship Supper and Senior Pitch Party. Light supper @ 6 PM - \$5.00 pp (RSVP PLEASE) and pitch games begin @ 7 PM. Bring some finger food or snacks to share. All area seniors invited.
March 25, 9 a.m.	NEW and Special Event: COUPON CLASS with Instructor Ashlea Konecny, owner/author of Deal Detecting Diva and Director of HELP Program in Haysville will teach a Coupon Class. She will teach you where, when and how to use coupons to get things as cheap as possible, even free. Limited seating so RSVP to Senior Director's Office with your information. The only cost is \$5.00 pp for a copy of the booklet she has written.
March 25, 6 p.m.	
March 26, 10 a.m.	

If anyone is interested in entering the 22nd Annual Kansas Voices Writers Contest, please contact the Senior Director Rick Eberhard for the entry forms and information. This is a contest for writers living in Kansas. There is no requirement for subject matter. Writers competing in the Youth Division must be currently enrolled in high school or under the age of 18. There is a \$3.00 entry fee but \$1,000 will be awarded in prizes.





## The gift of music

**Fire fighters with Sedgwick County fire station No. 37 in Bel Aire are presented a boom box as a thank-you gift from the Bel Aire Senior Center. Taking part in presenting the stereo were (from left) Sherryl Cutter, Jackie O’Neal, Station 37 firefighter G. Jaso, firefighter Matthew Nance, Lt. Dru Kellerby, Capt. Dan Wagner (back), Lt. Rob Timmons, Bel Aire senior director Rick Eberhard and Lilah Bohn.**

**Matt Heilman**

## POLICE REPORTS

**Feb. 16** – Lt. Griggs responded to the report of domestic violence in the 5100 block of East 46th North.

**Feb. 14** – Officer McGuire responded to the report of vandalism in the 4300 block of North Eagle Lake Court. Someone vandalized an automobile by breaking out the back window.

**Feb. 14** – Officer Brandewiede assisted Sedgwick County Fire Department and EMS in the 4800 block of North Hillcrest.

**Feb. 14** – Officer McGuire responded to the report of a suspicious person in the 3900 block of North Hillcrest. The officer located and checked the person without incident.

**Feb. 14** – Officer Hutton responded to the report of a suspicious person in the 4100 block of North Battin.

**Feb. 14** – Officer Toomey responded to a noise complaint in the 5800 block of East Odessa.

**Feb. 14** – Officer Brandewiede assisted EMS in the 5600 block of East 41st North.

**Feb. 14** – Lt. Enterkin responded to an alarm at 6100 Quail Ridge.

**Feb. 13** – Officer Brandewiede arrested Delamont J. Martin on charges of driving with a suspended license and a City of Wichita traffic warrant in the 6300 block of East 37th North.

**Feb. 12** – Officer Brandewiede responded to the report of a vehicle repossession in the 4500 block of North Westlake Court.

**Feb. 12** – Officer Hutton conducted a traffic stop at 4800 N. Woodlawn. Daniel R. Jackson was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

**Feb. 12** – Officer Hutton assisted with an unruly and intoxicated prisoner at the Sedgwick County Jail.

**Feb. 12** – Officer Foxx assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff’s Office in the 14000 block of East Wentworth Court.

**Feb. 11** – Lt. Griggs assisted public works with a waterline break in the 4500 block of North Dundee.

**Feb. 11** – Officer Foxx responded to an audible alarm in the 7800 block of East Turquoise Trail.

**Feb. 11** – Officer Foxx responded to the report of a suspicious person in the 9900 block of East 53rd North. The subjects were located and released.

**Feb. 10** – Officer Swanson responded the report of a hit-and-run accident at 3900 N. Harding Street. A person lost control of a vehicle in the snow, hit the victim and left the scene.

**Feb. 10** – Officer McCaslin took a report that Shawntia C. Degraftenreed was arrested on a Bel Aire city warrant and taken into custody by Wichita police.

**Feb. 9** – Officer Brandewiede checked the welfare of a person in the 4400 block of North Mission.

**Feb. 9** – Lt. Spencer responded to an accident in the 5100 block of Brookstone.

**Feb. 8** – Lt. Griggs took the report of a missing dog in the 6200 block of Danbury.

**Feb. 7** – Officer Swanson responded to a non-injury automobile accident in the 3700 block of North Woodlawn.

**Feb. 7** – Officer Toomey assisted Sedgwick County Fire Department in the 4200 block of North Woodlawn.

**Feb. 6** – Officer Brandewiede arrested Duane J. Tate on a Sedgwick County warrant in the 5100 block of East 46th North.

**Feb. 5** – Officer Hazelwood responded to the report of a suspicious person in the 6500 block of East

Perryton.

**Feb. 4** – Officer McGuire responded to the report of identity theft in the 4000 block of North Harding.

**Feb. 4** – Officer Hutton assisted Sedgwick County Fire Department and EMS in the 5900 block of East 41st North.

**Feb. 4** – Officer Foxx conducted a traffic stop in the 4800 block of North Oliver. Lindsay Fry was arrested on a charge of DUI.

**Feb. 4** – Officer Steele responded to the report of a suspicious person the 4100 block of North Parkwood.

**Feb. 3** – Officer Swanson assisted EMS in the 4200 block of North Stratford Lane.

**Feb. 3** – Officer Steele arrested Monique R. Boatner on a charge of driving with a suspended license and on a Wichita warrant in the 5200 block of North Oliver.

**Feb. 3** – Officer Foxx responded to a disturbance in the 3900 block of North Oliver.

**Feb. 1** – Detective Pentecost responded a non-injury automobile accident at 4500 N Webb.

**Feb. 1** – Officer Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 6300 block of East 37th North.

**Jan. 31** – Detective Pentecost conducted a traffic stop in the 3900 block of North Woodlawn. A person was issued a citation for driving with a suspended license.

**Jan. 31** – Detective Pentecost responded to the report of a person attempting to sell items door-to-door in the 6000 block of East 41st North.

**Jan. 31** – Lt. Spencer responded to the report of lost or stolen property in the 6900 block of East Perryton.

**Jan. 30** – Officer McGuire responded to an alarm in the 4800 block of North Homestead.

**Jan. 30** – Officer McGuire responded to the report of trash left on a front porch in the 3800 block of North Oliver.

**Jan. 30** – Officer Hutton checked the welfare of a person in the 4400 block of North Edgemoor Court.

**Jan. 30** – Officer Swanson responded to the report of a runaway juvenile in the 6500 block of East Rodeo. The child was later located with relatives.

**Jan. 30** – Officer Swanson arrested Dexter W. Johnson on a City of Bel Aire warrant for failure to appear in court.

**Jan. 29** – Officer Brandewiede conducted a traffic stop in the 6700 block of East 45th North. David L. Ricks was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license. Ricks was also arrested on two City of Wichita traffic warrants.

**Jan. 29** – Officer McGuire issued traffic citations in the 4000 block of North Woodlawn.

**Jan. 29** – Officer Brandewiede responded to the report of a suspicious person in the 5000 block of North Greenwich. Officer cited a person for driving with a suspended license and no proof of insurance.

**Jan. 29** – Officer Brandewiede assisted Kechi police with a traffic stop at 444 N. Oliver.

**Jan. 29** – Officer Hazelwood assisted EMS in the 5500 block of East 45th North.

**Jan. 29** – Officer Hazelwood responded to an audible alarm in the 6200 block of East 37th North.

**Jan. 29** – Officer Hazelwood conducted a traffic stop in the 5000 block of North Elk Creek. Gabriela B. Robles was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

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**Jan. 29** – Officer Steele responded to a call of a person driving under the influence at 45th Street North and Woodlawn. Jay L. Cooper was arrested on a charge of DUI.

**Jan. 28** – Officer Hazelwood responded to an audible alarm in the 4500 block of Dundee.

**Jan. 28** – Officer Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 5000 block of East Willowpoint Road.

**Jan. 28** – Officer Hazelwood responded to an automobile accident in the 5800 block of East 37th North. Margaret L. Pitts was arrested on a charge of DUI.

**Jan. 28** – Lt. Griggs responded to the report of a suspicious person in a van in the 4100 block of North Battin. Officer did not locate the van.

**Jan. 28** – Officer Foxx responded to the report of a male jumping into traffic at 4500 N. Rock Road. Officers contacted a person who was waiting on a friend to pick him up.

**Jan. 28** – Officer Foxx and Lt. Griggs conducted a traffic stop at 3800 N. Woodlawn due to suspicious activity. Larry M. Wood was arrested on charges of obstruction and driving with a suspended license and on a Sedgwick County bench warrant.

**Jan. 28** – Lt. Griggs assisted

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**Jan. 27** – Officer McGuire and Detective Pentecost responded to the report of a suspicious noise in the 4200 block of North St. James Place. Nothing was located.

**Jan. 26** – Detective Pentecost assisted EMS in the 4900 block of 48th North.

**Jan. 26** – Detective Pentecost responded to the report of a disturbance in the 6100 block of East Edinburg. The disturbance was verbal only. There were no signs of a physical disturbance.

**Jan. 26** – Officer Brandewiede conducted a traffic stop on a person not wearing a seatbelt in the 5500 block of East 37th North. Seth U. Hermreck was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.

**Jan. 26** – Officer Foxx assisted a citizen in the 4700 block of North Oliver.

**Jan. 25** – Detective Pentecost located a person in the 3800 block of North Oliver. Susan A. Birmingham was arrested on four Bel Aire warrants.

**Jan. 25** – Officer Hazelwood assisted Kechi police with serving a felony warrant in the 400 block of East Cheyenne Court.

**Jan. 25** – Officer Hutton responded to the report of child abuse in the 4800 block of East Willowpoint Court.

**Jan. 25** – Officer Foxx checked a suspicious vehicle in the 6200 block of North Rock Road.

**Jan. 24** – Officer Oglesby assisted Kechi police with an audible alarm in the 300 block of Tomahawk in Kechi.

**Jan. 24** – Officer McGuire conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with illegal tags in the 4600 block of North Woodlawn. Felipe Gonzalez was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

**Jan. 24** – Officer Toomey assisted EMS in the 4300 block of North Woodlawn.

**Jan. 22** – Officers McCaslin and Hazelwood responded to an alarm in the 3900 block of North Woodlawn Court.

**Jan. 22** – Officer Hazelwood responded to a disturbance in the 4400 block of North Eagle Lake Drive.

**Jan. 22** – Officer McGuire conducted a traffic stop in the 4900 block of North Oliver. Richard Wallace was arrested for two City of Wichita bench warrants.

**Jan. 22** – Officer Brandewiede conducted a traffic stop in the 5500 block of East 37th North on a person who was not wearing a seat belt. The driver was issued a citation for driving

with a suspended license.

**Jan. 22** – Officer McGuire responded to the report of a suspicious person at 37th North and Woodlawn. Officer located a subject who matched the description of the suspicious person. He found that the person had shoplifted from Dillons. The person was released to the Wichita Police Department for further investigation.

**Jan. 22** – Officer Hutton responded to the report of a suspicious person who was seen in the parking lot at Dillards and was thought to be in Bel Aire. The subject was located and transported to Towne West where he was released to Wichita police.

**Jan. 22** – Officer Swanson found property in the 10800 block of East 53rd North.

**Jan. 21** – Detective Pentecost responded to an alarm in the 4100 block of Edinburg.

**Jan. 21** – Officer Foxx conducted a traffic stop in the 3800 block of North Parkwood. Earl V. Blocher II was arrested on a charge of DUI.

**Jan. 20** – Officer McGuire assisted Kechi police with a disturbance call in the 200 block of South Oliver in Kechi.

**Jan. 20** – Lt. Enterkin took the report of a lost or stolen tag in the 4600 block of North Oliver.

**Jan. 20** – Officer Hazelwood arrested Antonio Garcia Brenton for a Bel Aire Municipal Court Commitment Order in the 7600 block of East Central Park.

**Jan. 20** – Lt. Spencer responded to the report of two suspicious men sitting in a vehicle in the 4400 block of Westlake. Officer located the men. There was no problem.

**Jan. 20** – Officer Hazelwood responded to the report of a disturbance in the 4400 block of North Eagle Lake Drive.

**Jan. 20** – Officer Foxx located a motor vehicle that had overturned in the 4600 block of North Webb Road.

**Jan. 20** – Officer Foxx arrested a person on a charge of DUI in the 4600 block of North Webb Road.

**Jan. 19** – Officer Pentecost impounded a vehicle that was left in the 3700 block of North Harding with its flashers on.

**Jan. 19** – Detective Pentecost responded to an alarm in the 4700 block of North Glendale.

**Jan. 18** – Detective Pentecost responded to an audible alarm in the 4800 block of North Farmstead.

**Jan. 18** – Detective Pentecost assisted the Sedgwick County Sheriff’s Office with a rolling disturbance on North Woodlawn. The officer stopped the suspect at 6100 N. Woodlawn. The investigation was turned over the sheriff’s office.


**Jan. 18** – Officer Hazelwood located a runaway in the 4300 block of North Eagle Lake Court.

**Jan. 18** – Officer Steele checked on suspicious activity in the 5900 block of East 37th North.

**Jan. 15** – Officer Brandewiede responded to an alarm in the 4500 block of Dundee.

**Jan. 15** – Officer Hazelwood responded to the report of unlawful use of a credit card in the 7600 block of East Central Park Avenue.

**Jan. 15** – Officer Hutton responded to an alarm in the 6100 block of East Danbury.



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# Cities represented at Wichita Home Show

By Matt Heilman

Every year, the Wichita Home Show draws thousands of people to Century II to see the latest in home décor and remodeling and get information on new housing additions. The event, sponsored by the Wichita Area Builders Association, provides an opportunity for businesses as well as municipalities to market what they have to offer. At the 2011 home show from Feb. 10 through 13, the cities of Park City, Kechi and Bel Aire set up booths. While each city offers unique opportunities for potential developers or homebuyers, they shared a common goal at the home

show — to provide as much information as possible for home show attendees who might have an interest in moving to a Wichita suburb. For the Park City booth, Mayor Emil Bergquist said the responses were “mostly good.” He said several of the questions people asked dealt with homebuyer incentives and what amenities the city has to offer. A few current and past city council members as well as a few city employees took shifts to man the Park City booth. “I think for the most part, we got a pretty good response on housing,” Bergquist said. Home sales in Park City

have leveled off since the breakout success in 2009 when the city ranked No. 3 in Sedgwick County for new home sales. Currently, most of the city’s home sales have occurred in the High Ridge development near 69th North and Hydraulic. “Part of being in larger regional shows is just that you’re there,” Kechi City Administrator Mark Tallman said. “Just being there, we’re in the game.” Tallman said in his time at the home show, he noticed several attendees who stopped by Kechi’s booth had a connection to the city, either as former residents or friends or family members of

current residents. “That’s what we’re there for, just to keep in mind that Kechi’s in the greater Wichita area,” Tallman said. “It was favorable.” With a small business community and no real downtown to speak of, Kechi has struggled to stay on the radar. City leaders haven’t denied that there are still several people in the Wichita area who aren’t sure where Kechi is in relation to Wichita. Long-term planning for business expansion and downtown establishment is hoping to bring Kechi’s name to the surface. While pleased with the 2011 Wichita Home

Show, Tallman said he’d like to see the city come up with new home marketing strategies for next year’s show. In Bel Aire, selling land, residential or commercial, is essential as the city tries to overcome a heavy debt load. At the Wichita Home Show, council member Carolyn Marlier said most of the feedback from attendees was positive, although she did hear a few people mention Bel Aire was “too expensive” for them to live in. She said most of the questions people asked dealt with the new USD 259 schools in the city, which are expected to open in 2012. The schools are important for Bel Aire’s marketing effort, which has drawn a few interested developers. Marlier said brochures handed out

at Bel Aire’s booth contained maps and general information about the city, as well as information on the Bel Aire Senior Center and rec center. “I thought, overall, people were kind and interested in what’s going on in Bel Aire,” Marlier said.

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## Election

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financially as Bel Aire tries to manage its land debt. Marlier, who has served on the council for 12 years, said she’s seeking another term because she enjoys serving the city she’s lived in for 45 years. She said she’s passionate about her com-

munity and wants to be in a position where she has a say to help keep the property tax mill levy down as much as possible. Like the incumbents, Terrebonne wants a spot on the council to guide Bel Aire in the right direction, especially financially. Terrebonne has paid close attention to the actions of the current council and he feels that more can

be done to lower taxes while managing debt. He said the council should look more carefully at every item on the city budget and thinks more should be done to market available land in the city. Along with deciding the two council seats, Bel Aire residents will decide if they want to keep Harold Smith as their mayor. Smith is running unopposed and can only be replaced if he receives fewer votes than a write-in candidate. Smith said he wants to stay on to help the city manage its

debt. He also emphasized the importance of keeping Bel Aire’s citizens informed with what goes on at City Hall. The candidates will have a chance to make themselves heard during a public forum at 7 p.m. April 1 at the former Bel Aire City Hall, 4551 N. Auburn. The forum, moderated by Bel Aire resident and KWCH Channel 12 News reporter Michael Schwanke, will give the candidates three minutes each to state their point of view. The statements will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

## Fire

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“She’s adjusted to apartment life just fine,” Dennis said of the pet. After spending a lot of time with an insurance adjuster, the McCallums have found a way to rebuild on their peaceful two-acre lot on Hillcrest. While the last eight months have been a whirlwind, the McCallums say the process of relocating to the apartment and getting started on the new house has gone about as smoothly as it can. “It’s just one of those things that takes time,” Cheryl said. “I’d rather have it done right than rushed.” Dennis said he thinks about how much simpler the rebuilding process would have been if he and Cheryl had moved into a furnished patio home. If they had decided to do so, the McCallums would already be out of the apartment. However, the Hillcrest property is special to them. They enjoy the acreage and the rural feel in the middle of

town. Their new house has a similar floor plan to their previous home. Once the McCallums move back to their Hillcrest property, Dennis said he’s looking forward to landscaping, a process that has started with the planting of a small tree that symbolizes what the couple has been through. The Bel Aire Tree Board donated a “survivor tree” to the McCallums. The elm was grown from a sapling of the American Elm Tree that nearly 16 years ago survived the tragic bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, despite standing just yards away from the structure. Dennis and Cheryl said the gift from the tree board and overall community support they’ve received in Bel Aire further pushed their resolve to rebuild in the city. They plan to live in their new Bel Aire home for the rest of their lives. “We certainly don’t plan to move again, do we?” Cheryl asked. “No,” Dennis replied emphatically.

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# City council approves joint grant-seeking opportunity with Kechi

By Matt Heilman

On Feb. 1, Bel Aire’s council stepped up with formal action to move forward with a grant-seeking opportunity with Kechi. Bel Aire City Manager Ty Lasher agreed that if the neighboring cities could pool resources in some areas, occasionally share services and consult with one another on development along K-254, both cities would benefit. The council approved the necessary motions to pursue the \$25,000 grant with the Community Capacity Build-

ing Grant Program through the Kansas Department of Commerce. Like Kechi’s council a week before, the Bel Aire Council approved an interlocal agreement between the cities, which allows them to apply jointly for the grant. Kechi City Administrator Mark Tallman has said that each city is too wealthy per capita to qualify for many grants individually, but collectively, there’s an opportunity. The grant the cities are seeking would pay to bring in a third-party consultant

to study each city and help determine where efficiencies can be found and shared resources could save costs. Tallman announced in January that the consultant would be Professional Engineering Consultants (PEC). Alan Morris, a retired city manager, works for PEC. Morris has worked for Bel Aire on an interim basis. Along with each council’s formal support, Bel Aire and Kechi have received letters of support for the grant from the Sedgwick County Commission and, most recently, the Regional Economic Area

Partnership (REAP) organization. Also on Feb. 1, Bel Aire’s council: •Approved awarding a grant of \$2,300 to the Bel Aire Senior Center. Mayor Harold Smith said there was enough money budgeted to supply the grant. •Established June 18 as the date for the Bel Aire Music and Moonlight event. •Approved an appropriations ordinance of \$180,682.01. •Accepted a utility easement going north from 53rd Street parallel

to Lycee Road near the future USD 259 high school and ending on the north side of Lycee. •Accepted a right-of-way easement on the east side of Rock Road from 53rd North to K-254. •Approved the Weigand new homes residential marketing agreement and exclusive listing agreement for marketing of residential lots in Central Park, 3-1-1. Peggy O’Donnell opposed the motion while Gary Breault abstained because his cousin is involved in the agreement as a representative for Weigand. •Approved a one-time merit-

based bonus for city employees. •Approved resolutions authorizing sewer system and water distribution improvements and establishing benefit districts to pay for the improvements. •Approved a change order in the amount of \$78,976 with Duling Construction. •Approved setting June 11 as a day for the Bel Aire city wide garage sales and agreed to consider a second date for garage sales based on feedback from residents.

## PEOPLE HIGHLIGHTS

The University of Kansas announced 2011 Kansas IDeA Network scholarship recipients. Local students who received scholarships include Helen Sharon Jin, daughter of Rong Shao and Zhiren Jin and Aaron G. Bart, son of Gerald and Roopa Bart.

††† Several area students were named to the fall 2010 KU honor roll. Local students from

Bel Aire include, Maurice Deonta Cox, sophomore; Sadeqh Eftekhari; Luke David Gray, senior; Jarika Leigh Lewis, sophomore; Sarah K. Miller, senior; Charles Joseph Smith, sophomore; Megan Kay Williams, sophomore; and Jordan Caroline Leiker, junior.

††† The Sedgwick County Extension Center will host its annual youth lawn-mow-

ing clinic March 23. Cost is \$5 for advance registration or \$10 at the door. Boys and girls in grades fifth through ninth grade are encouraged to attend the clinic, which will teach about lawn grasses, safe use of power mowers, lawn mower maintenance and obtaining a lawn-mowing job. Register by calling the office at 660-0100 or downloading a form at [www.sedgwick.ksu.edu](http://www.sedgwick.ksu.edu). Registration is due March 18.

### ROSELLA MAUPIN

Rosella C. Maupin, 90, died Jan. 25, 2011. She was a homemaker and secretary.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William; mother, Ruth Hamilton; and father, Mood Harrell.

Survivors include her daughters and sons-in-law, Sara Jane and Pat Hawkins of St. Louis, Mo., Patricia and Mike Allen of Richmond, Texas, and Hannah and Rich Kerschen of Wichita; sisters, Pat Dean of Bel Aire and Sherry Fix of Newport Beach, Calif.; seven grandchildren; and nine great-

grandchildren.

Service was Jan. 29 at Downing and Lahey Mortuary East.

Memorials have been established with the Guadalupe Clinic, 940 S. St. Francis, Wichita, KS, 67211 and The Lords Diner, 520 N. Broadway, Wichita, KS 67214.

### MARGARET SCHROEDER

Margaret Schroeder, 91, Wichita, died Feb. 19, 2011.

She was preceded in death by her husband Edward in 2008; parents, Martin and Laura (Deterding) Brase; and nine siblings.

Survivors include sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Judy Schroeder of Bel Aire, Kent and Nancy Schroeder of Huntsville, Ala., and Paul and Gina Schroeder of Jenks, Okla.; brother and sister-in-law, Gilbert and Barbara Brase of Orinda, Calif.; sister, Mildred Hill of Pittsburg, Kan.; 13 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Feb. 22 at Lakeview Funeral Home. Funeral was Feb. 23 at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 611 S. Erie, Wichita, KS 67211.

## CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS

### Christ Lutheran Church

Sunday service times are 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship and 9:45 a.m. Sunday School. The church is located at 5356 N. Hillside (53rd North and Hillside) across from Heights High School. Find the church online at [www.christ-lutheran.org](http://www.christ-lutheran.org); e-mail [office@clc.kscoxmail.com](mailto:office@clc.kscoxmail.com). Call the office at 744-1242 for more information.

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Church of the Resurrection (Roman Catholic) is located at 4910 N. Woodlawn in Bel Aire. Masses for the Lord’s Day are 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday. Weekday Masses are 8 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; also at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Resurrection Catholic School has students from preschool through eighth grade. The parish/school website is [www.resurrectionwichita.com](http://www.resurrectionwichita.com). Phone number is 744-2776. Rev. Sherman A. Orr is the pastor.

### Community Bible Chapel

The church is located at 4551 Auburn, south of 45th North between Oliver and Woodlawn, in Bel Aire. Worship service and breaking of the bread are at 9 a.m., with Bible study and Sunday school at 10:30 on Sundays. Wednesday prayer and Bible study are at 7 p.m. For more information, call Melvan Adair at 744-7091.

### Crossroads Friends Church

Crossroads Friends Church meets at Stucky Middle School (east from 45th North and Hillside) at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. The church has Crossroads Kids and Crossroads Cribs ministry areas, as well as contemporary music, relevant Bible teaching and a laid-back, friendly atmosphere. Lead pastor is David Norman and associate pastor is Jeff Mullen.

Call the church office at 361-0407 or visit it online at [www.crossroadswichita.com](http://www.crossroadswichita.com).

### Fairmount United Church of Christ

The church is located at 1605 Fairmount in Wichita (south of WSU main entrance). Rev. Dr. Monte Gravenstein, interim minister, leads Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible study begins at 9:30. Children’s church and nursery are at 10:30. For more information, call 682-1597 or visit at [www.fairmountuccc.org](http://www.fairmountuccc.org).

### Gospel Assembly Church

Located at 4230 N. Oliver in Bel Aire, service times are 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. Bible study is 7 p.m. Monday. Prayer service is 7 p.m. Tuesday. Praise and worship is 7 p.m. Wednesday. Phone number is 744-1502. Rev. Gary D. Green is the pastor.

### Greenwich United Methodist Church

Sunday worship service is at 9 a.m. Fellowship and coffee following the service. Pastor Natalie can be reached at 773-2300 or 744-0203. Pastor Natalie is at the church from 5:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays. Free coffee and donuts are available from 5:30 to 9 a.m. Thursdays. Visit the church online at [Greenwichsumc.org](http://Greenwichsumc.org). The church is located about a mile south of K-254 on Greenwich Road.

### Kechi United Methodist Church

Located at 4533 E. 61st North in Kechi, the Rev. Guy E. Rendoff is the pastor. Church phone number is 744-1221, its website is [www.kechiumc.org](http://www.kechiumc.org) and its e-mail address is [kechiumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kechiumc@sbcglobal.net). Sunday praise band and worship are at 9:03 a.m. Sunday school is at 10. Worship is at 11.

### Park City Church of the Nazarene

Sunday school for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. Worship and children’s church are at 10:45. Wednesday Bible study for adults begins with sandwiches and chips at 6:15 p.m. The church is located at 2100 E. 61st North in Park City.

### Pine Valley Christian Church

The church is located at 5620 E. 21st North. Sunday school is at 9 a.m. with worship at 10:15. For more information call 685-2421.

### True Life Church

True Life Church meets at Circle Greenwich Elementary (just north of K-96 on Greenwich Road). Coffee, juice and donuts are served early Sundays. There are activities with the TLC Kids Zone from children from birth through fifth grade. True Life Church has gospel-centered contemporary music and biblical messages delivered by Norm Duncan. For more information, call 978-9292 or visit [www.experienceTLC.com](http://www.experienceTLC.com).

### University United Methodist Church

The church is located

across from the Wichita State University campus at 21st and Yale.

Sunday activities include adult and youth educational classes at 9:15 a.m., traditional service at 10:30 and youth group activities from 4 to 6 p.m. E-mail [uumc2220@uumc.net](mailto:uumc2220@uumc.net); phone 686-6765. Rev. Phil Shull is the pastor.

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